

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Examiner: Nadav, Ori

Group Art Unit: 2811

In re PATENT APPLICATION of

Applicants : Lai, Chun Hsiang et al.

Serial No. : 09/801,350

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For : ELECTROSTATIC DISCHARGE PROTECTION )  
CIRCUIT COUPLED ON I/O PAD )

AMENDMENT

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

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Dear Sir,

This amendment is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and in response to the Office Action dated August 22, 2011. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendment and the following remarks.